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Via ECFS
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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
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**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I chose a local, competitive internet provider because they provide fiber optic service at an affordable price and at speeds unattainable with the DSL of my former ISP. My former ISP was the only game in town until Sonic arrived. Internet speed was very slow, and they provided very little in their basic package, service was almost inaccessible, and they raised prices frequently without informing me. A competitive market ensures that consumers have choices and keeps prices affordable. As a residential Sonic customer, I will be materially affected if US Telecoms petition is granted. I rely on Sonic for all of my personal, financial, and business affairs. I oppose US Telecoms petition to dismantle components of the 1966 Telecommunications Act. The internet must be kept competitive so consumers will have access to affordable internet and phone service.

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